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An Object Lesson for Pennsylvania.

Thursday of last week was what was known as "University" day in the Ohio Legislature. At every session of that body a certain day is set aside for the sole purpose of looking after the educational institutions in which the State is interested. A complete report of their work is heard, then requests for appropriations are made, after which bills are immediately presented and passed or killed, according as the prevailing sentiment might be in relation to the needs of the schools.

We call attention to this because of the marked contrast between Ohio and Pennsylvania Legislatures in educational matters. While the former seems to have fully realized the necessity of properly caring for its institutions for higher education the latter invariably views them with suspicion and does not paltry appropriations as if the money were actually being thrown into a sink hole. On its last "University" day the Ohio Legislature passed the HYSSELL bill, which carries a levy of 1-10 of a mill for the support of the State University. This will just double the income of that institution and make it \$200,000 per annum. When it is known that the state University of Ohio bears exactly the same relation to that State as the Pennsylvania State College does to Pennsylvania, both having been land-grant colleges, endowed by the United States government, the vast difference in the way their respective foster parents have treated these two institutions is brought out.

Where in Ohio one tenth of a mill is annually levied for every dollar of assessed valuation for the support of the State's University, in Pennsylvania there is not a single penny raised, except when the State occasionally makes an appropriation for a specific purpose. Since the College was established, in 1857, it has received only \$874,383.22 from the State, an amount which Ohio will give to her University in a little over four years.

Just why the Legislature of Pennsylvania acts in such a niggardly manner toward this institution, which she promised the general government to support when the grant of land was made for its establishment, is seen in the petty jealousies of communities having educational institutions of other classes in them. There is a complete failure on the part of the masses in this Commonwealth to realize that the Pennsylvania State College belongs just as much to one portion of the State as to another; that the fact of its central location does not contract its usefulness to the central portion of the State, that the institution is second to none in technology and that the "faith of the State" was "pledged" to support it in 1863.

It is a matter of regret that Philadelphia, the one city in the State that boasts of her bequests to education and art, and of her broad-mindedness, should be the hot-bed in which all sorts of scandalous and belittling attacks on The Pennsylvania State College are germinated. It is the fact, however, and the secret lies in the University of Pennsylvania, an institution which that city has been trying to lay down on the State for years.

The Philadelphia papers never miss an opportunity of misrepresenting things with the hope of arousing public contempt for State College. The latest attempt of this sort appeared, editorially, in the *Inquirer* last Friday night. Referring to the Beta Theta Pi fraternity house it said:

As most of the students at State College are young men in moderate circumstances, the inference is that the so-called club house was not a club house, but a dormitory or students' living place, and that it was erected, not with the students' money, but with a State appropriation.

The venom in this "inference" is best seen in the intent to lead the public to a false conception of the true state of affairs. What would there be of reflection on this institution even if this club house had been a college dormitory. A fire is an uncontrollable accident and the *Inquirer* would be the last paper under the sun to reflect on Philadelphia's pet University should any of her department buildings burn down. But the Beta Theta Pi fraternity house, as well as five others of such buildings at State College, was built with private funds and was maintained by the boys who occupied it. The court records in this place will satisfy the *Inquirer* as to its ownership. There would be just as much sense in that paper's trying to incite enmity for the College because a spontaneous combustion occurred in one of the hay

mows up there, recently, and threatened a barn with destruction.

Coming within a day of each other this news from Columbus and this "inference" from Philadelphia should prove a valuable object lesson to Pennsylvania. It is a fine commentary on a State that vaunts herself the most progressive in the most progressive country on the earth that, while her neighbor liberally provides for it, she continually discredits an institution of learning established for the education of all classes.

A Misleading Discussion.

It was entirely proper to introduce a resolution in the Senate with the object of recognizing the belligerent rights of the Cuban insurgents. The Senate might go a step further and recognize the independence of Cuba, without doing anything that could be called wrong. The Cubans deserve their freedom and the Spanish power should be expelled from the island. But some of the honorable Senators made a mistake on some points in discussing the resolution. They erred in the view they appeared to take concerning the disposition of the President on the Cuban question.

Both Senator MORGAN and Senator FRYE spoke as if it was questionable whether the President would co-operate with Congress in measures that would be favorable to the Cuban cause, and whether it would not be necessary to compel him to obey the directions of Congress in such measures as it might adopt.

Senator MORGAN's well-known dislike for Mr. CLEVELAND will account for his disposition to present him in a false and unfavorable light, while FRYE, in addition to being an unscrupulous Republican partisan, is an irrepressible jingo of the most blatant kind, which explains his eagerness to misrepresent the President on questions of foreign policy.

We would advise the Senators not to give themselves any uneasiness about what the President may or may not do in the Cuban matter when the emergency arises. Let them go on with their recognition of Cuba's belligerency, and they will be sure to find the executive branch of the government ready to do its duty to a people struggling for their freedom.

The jingo enemies of the President should have learned a lesson in the Venezuela business. Their persistent representation that the administration was toadying to the British lion, was brought to a conclusion, as sudden as it was embarrassing to them, by the message that completely knocked the wind out of them, and they are likely to meet with the same experience in the Cuban matter.

California.

Personally-Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.

So beautiful is the scenery of California that nature must have expended more than her usual energy in its creation, and especially is this true during the months of March and April, when the rainy season has passed and flowers bloom everywhere. Fortunately, indeed, is the person who can exchange the wintry climate of the East for the flower-perfumed and healthful atmosphere of California, and no better method of doing this can be had than by participating in the second "Golden Gate" tour, organized under the perfect personally-conducted tourist system of the Pennsylvania railroad company.

The tourists will leave New York and Philadelphia March 11, 1896, and return to those cities May 7, allowing four and one half weeks in California.

A new feature to the magnificent train used for these tours in previous years is a through Pullman compartment car.

The car, which will be the very best that the Pullman company can supply, will contain nine inclosed compartments—two drawing rooms and seven state rooms—and will be attached to the special train at Jersey City and run through to San Francisco.

Applications for space or itineraries giving all information should be made to tourist agent, 1196 Broadway, New York, or room 411, Broad street station, Philadelphia.

Two Plead Guilty.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 25.—Mr. Hutchinson, of the dairy and food commission, has returned from Altoona where he secured a large number of milk samples which he suspected of being adulterated. They are being analyzed at the State College. He also secured five specimens of oleomargarine. Two grocers appeared before Alderman Jackson here last night and pleaded guilty to dealing in oleomargarine. They were fined \$100 and costs each.

Fruit Is Now Common Property.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Miss Elizabeth Flagler, daughter of General Flagler, chief of ordinance, United States army, who about a year ago shot and killed a colored boy who was stealing pears from her father's garden, was brought up in the criminal court this morning to answer to an indictment for manslaughter. The hearing was brief and resulted in a verdict of guilty. Miss Flagler was sentenced to three hours in the district jail and a fine of \$500.

A Pretty Mess for Pennsylvania Republicans to be asked to Give Their Suffrage To.

The Tickets Likely—Silver Mine Owners May But Against the Conservative People of the Eastern States in the Coming Campaign—It's A Fight to the Finish.

PHILADELPHIA, February 25.—The probability of the silver Republicans breaking away from the regular party candidate for President and placing an independent candidate in the field on a bimetallic platform is finding many believers here. It is said that the choice of the silverites now lies between Senator Teller, of Colorado, and Wharton Baker, a financier of Philadelphia and a prominent bimetalist.

When Senator Cameron announced that he would not be a candidate for re-election to the United States Senate it had been decided, it is said, to make him the candidate of the silver people, but within the week he is said to have announced that he will not be the candidate, and now there seems to be a well defined impression that he will endeavor to return to the Senate.

It is announced from an authoritative source that unless the Republican convention in St. Louis shall adopt the bimetallic plank at the ratio of 15 to 1 there will be a bolt. The silver people are at present attempting to work the "reform" within the party, but failing in that they will go before the people. If the Republican platform is a gold plank it will mean three tickets in the field. The new party will be named the American party, its principles will be "high protection and bimetalism," and its platform will be the circular to which Wharton Baker got the signatures of sixteen United States Senators.

While the new movement is being fought with ridicule, as its supporters put it, the promoters are not discouraged. They allege to have a mass of endorsements, all of which they will soon make public. They allege, too, that they hold the balance of power in several States, notably New York and Indiana, and these are the levers they will use to attempt to compel the Republican convention to adopt a plank in the platform in the line of what is commonly called free silver.

Those capable of expressing an opinion as to the intention of the Republican party do not for a moment believe that it will commit itself to anything but a gold plank, and the silverites seem to think the same way; for it is indirectly admitted that plans are made to hold the silver convention in July, and while the place has not been decided upon it is not unlikely that it will be held in this city. The effort will be to hold it somewhere in the East, to show that the West is not alone vigorous in this new movement. All the leaders of the party agree that it is too early to discuss the plans; the work at present is confined to missionary endeavors in the Republican party.

It is also the argument that an eastern candidate at the head of the silver ticket, endorsed by prominent eastern business men, would make the campaign of education less difficult, as such conditions would promote inquiry, and thus more easily attract study.

Have Touched Bottom.

The Democracy is Now on Rising Ground—Congressmen Preparing for the Fall Campaign.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—"We have touched bottom and are now on rising ground," is the cheerful sentiment expressed by the national Democratic congressional committee, which is now completing its organization for the campaign. Representative McRae, of Arkansas, presided over the caucus which was held last night. A number of vacancies was filled and a special committee of five, of which Mr. Hucheson, of Texas, is chairman, was appointed to fill the remaining vacancies in States and territories which have no Representatives in the house. The other members of this committee are Senator Mitchell, of Wisconsin, and Representatives Wheeler, of Alabama; Maddox, of Georgia, and Dockery, of Missouri.

The following is the personnel of the committee by States as far as it has been completed: Joseph Wheeler, of Alabama; Thomas C. McRae, of Arkansas; James G. McGuire, of California; John G. Pigott, of Connecticut; S. M. Sparkman, of Florida; John W. Maddox, of Georgia; Finis F. Downey, Illinois; Albert S. Berry, of Kentucky; Adolph Meyer, of Louisiana; H. W. Rusck, of Maryland; John F. Fitzgerald, of Massachusetts; O. M. Hall, of Minnesota; John C. Kyle, of Mississippi; A. M. Dockery, of Missouri; Amos J. Cummings, of New York; F. E. Woodward, of North Carolina; W. N. Roach, of North Dakota; Ferd C. Layton, of Ohio; J. E. Erdman, of Pennsylvania; W. J. Talbert, of South Carolina; Benton McMillin, of Tennessee; C. K. Bell, of Texas, and Wm. A. Jones, of Virginia.

The special committee will select the remaining members through correspondents with the State and national committees and Democratic ex-members in the several States that now have a solid Republican delegation in Congress. The committee will report upon the better method of collecting funds for the autumn campaign and they are empowered to elect a treasurer, who, it is understood, will be James Norris, of the District of Columbia, who formerly held that office. The committee elected Senator Faulkner, of West Virginia, permanent chairman, and Mr. Lawrence Gardner, of this city, permanent secretary.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

—The announcement of Miss S. Ohnmsch, which appears in another column of this issue, has caused considerable regret among the music loving people in this community. The fact that failing eye-sight has forced her permanent retirement as an instructor in instrumental music removes the oldest and best known teacher in the county and the profession suffers a loss it can ill afford. Miss Ohnmsch will devote her entire time to the sale of musical instruments.

—Mifflinburg has over one hundred cases of the grip and physicians down there are worked nearly to death.

—"Side Tracked," at Garman's, Wednesday night, March 4th. It is one of Scammon's companies and that guarantees it to be good.

—Foster Young, of Coleville, was attacked by three Hungarians while loading stones at Morris' Buffalo run quarries, on Tuesday afternoon. The Huns. blamed him for intentionally dropping stones on their feet from a car that all the men were loading and finally flew at him with shovel and sticks. When finally rescued from his assailants Young was pretty badly used up and is now under a doctor's care. Warrants are out for the arrest of the Huns, but two of them have fled and the other has not been located by the police yet.

—Rev. McGovern, priest of the Frenchville parish, in Clearfield county, was severely hurt by being thrown from a buggy last Thursday afternoon. While driving down Surveyor run hill his buggy turned around on the ice and he was thrown out, breaking his ankle. His horse ran away, but stopped a few rods distant from him. He was so chilled and pained that he could not get to it and laid by the roadside for two hours, the result being that he was badly frosted. It is feared now that gangrene will set in and that amputation will be necessary.

FOSTER'S LATEST WEATHER BULLETIN.—My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from the 23rd to 27th, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about the 28th, cross the west of Rockies country by the close of the 29th, the great central valleys March 1st to 3rd and the Eastern States the 4th. This will be an important disturbance of wide extent and of more than usual force. In many parts of the continent all the varieties of weather may be expected from balmy spring days to the uncouth blizzard, the former preceding and the latter following the central dates of the disturbance. The cold wave following this storm is expected to bring unusually low temperature in the great central valleys that will continue through the first week of March. The warm wave will cross the west of Rockies country about Feb. 28th, great central valleys March 1st and the Eastern States March 3rd. Cold wave will cross the west of Rockies country about March 1st, great central valleys the 4th and the Eastern States the 6th.

CELEBRATED ITS SEMI-CENTENNIAL.

—Tuesday evening was a memorable one in the history of Centre lodge, No. 153, I. O. O. F., of this place. Fifty years old that night the lodge celebrated its golden anniversary by a splendid banquet served by caterer Achenbach. Preparation had been made for one hundred and fifty guests, including the members, their wives, and friends and the beautiful home of the lodge, on High street, was the scene of a brilliant assemblage.

C. P. Hewes Esq., acted as toast-master at the banquet and succeeded in infusing considerable levity into those who sat about him. Among the speakers were: Hon. A. A. Barker, of Ebsensburg, father of Judge Barker, of Cambria county, and ex-member of Congress; J. C. Meyer Esq., D. F. Portney Esq., Rev. J. C. Young, of Pleasant Gap, W. M. Cronister, of Port Matilda, and others.

Centre lodge is and has always been one of the most flourishing secret fraternal organizations in the county. Its roster discloses names of her foremost citizen's ever since the incorporation and to-day many of Bellefonte's representative men are proud of their membership in it. In charities and never ceasing missions of mercy Centre has made itself beloved by the stricken families which it finds great happiness in relieving. In short, odd fellowship in Bellefonte has done a world of good and we trust the good offices of the order will never cease.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF ITS FIFTY YEARS OF LIFE.

The minutes show that the lodge was instituted by district deputy grand master James Gamble on February 23rd, 1846, assisted by a number of brothers from Clinton lodge No. 98, from Jersey Shore No. 101, and also from Juniata lodge. It seems that the organization took place in a room in the east end of the court house, and it was there that Centre lodge No. 153, I. O. O. F., was instituted. Henry Baker was elected N. G.; C. H. Bressler, V. G.; P. Benner Wilson, secretary; Wm. W. Baker, recording secretary, and Daniel Welch, treasurer. These officers were installed on the same day by district deputy Gamble. Mr. Huston, A. C. Geary and a Mr. Beck, of Hecla, were admitted by card.

Among the first names proposed for membership appear the names of B. R. Petrik, G. W. Tate, Robert Dunbar, Daniel Leyden, Geo. Herd, J. D. McCannahan, Michael Dunkle, Edward Graham, James Welch, Abraham Shoof, David Grove and Anthony Creamer. These men, all in waiting in the anteroom, were elected and at once initiated in the mysteries of the order.

Thursday night was then fixed as its

regular meeting night and has so continued ever since. The receipts of the first meeting were \$61.00. The lodge again met on the 24th of Feb. 1846. At this meeting Wm. W. Huston and Andrew J. Johnson were initiated. The lodge also met on Feb. 26th, 1846, elected and initiated a number of members, among them Roland Curtin, Jr., who continued in membership until his death in 1876.

The first constitution and by-laws of the lodge were adopted March 5th, 1846. At the meeting of Feb. 24th, 1846, James Dunlap, at that time residing at Rock Forge (a clerk), was duly elected to membership.

It seems that persons from all parts of the county became members of the order, for at a meeting on the 12th of March, 1846, John P. Lyon, of Pennsylvania Furnace, was proposed for membership, a Mr. McWilliams from the same community, Charles W. Lambert and John H. Morrison, and on the 19th of March, 1846, it is recorded that Patton Lyon, Mr. McWilliams and Wm. McClelland were initiated into the sublime mysteries of odd fellowship.

The minutes of April 2nd, 1846, show that Andrew G. Curtin, John Rothrock and Jonathan Eckard were initiated on that date. On April 16th, 1846, Bartram Galbraith, Marshall Graham, James Taylor and S. H. Stover were proposed for membership, and duly elected on the 23rd and initiated. At the meeting on the night of the 23rd of April, 1846, brothers Welch, Curtin and Petrik were appointed to secure a room for the lodge to meet in, and on April the 30th, the committee reported that they had procured the Masonic hall for a period of five years, at a rental of \$50.00 per year. This was the room on the second floor of the building now occupied by Rev. Hoshour and Mr. Spigelmeyer, and this continued to be its meeting place up to April 4th, 1855.

This, then, "was the beginning" of Centre lodge No. 153, I. O. O. F. The lodge as then organized continued until April 4th, 1856, when the record shows that this minute was adopted:

"Resolved, that we surrender our Charter-books and appurtenances to the D. D. G. M., that we find ourselves unable to meet the demands made upon us by the decision of the grand lodge of Pennsylvania in the recent case of William H. Parsons."

The lodge ceased to exist from that date for a period of more than eleven years. The next minute made was on the 17th day of August, 1867:

"That John T. Hoover, J. S. Parsons, Henry Twitmyer, Wm. A. Kerlin and Jonathan Eckard, who were members of good standing of Centre lodge No. 153 at the time of the surrender of the charter, April 4th, 1856, having asked and obtained from the grand lodge of Pennsylvania the restoration of the original charter, district deputy grand master Bell, of Blair county district, was duly commissioned by the grand lodge to deliver the charter and re-open the lodge and put the same in proper working order.

The officers then elected were: Henry Twitmyer, N. G.; J. S. Parsons, V. G.; John T. Hoover, secretary, and W. A. Kerlin, treasurer. Of these men brothers Twitmyer and Kerlin are still living. When these officers were duly installed the books and original charter were placed in their keeping; and Centre lodge No. 153 was again in working order and has so continued with a greater or less degree of prosperity from that day to this.

The reorganization took place in a room in the old Bush Arcade. This room for a time at least, was occupied by the lodge of Good Templars and Centre lodge jointly.

Three members of the original number are still living and are members of the lodge: H. H. Twitmyer, of Glen Ritchey, Pa., initiated March 30th, 1849; H. H. Benner, Atlantic City, N. J., initiated June 15th, 1850; W. A. Kerlin, Rudd, Iowa, initiated July 15th, 1853.

When the McClain block was erected the lodge invested \$1,800 therein, in a hall, which it occupied from some time in 1869 or 1870 until they moved to the room now occupied. The hall in the McClain block was dedicated on June 6th, 1871. During the afternoon of that day a very large parade was made with an address in the evening from grand secretary Nicholson, in Bush's hall in the old Arcade, a dance in the lodge room for those who desired to dance, and a banquet at the Bush house. All these proceedings, except the lecture, continued until after midnight.

The lodge took possession of its present quarters in 1889 or '90. The room was dedicated to the purpose of odd fellowship on the 14th of Oct. 1891. The occurrence is so recent that it must be remembered by all. The cardinal principle of the order is to relieve the sick, educate the orphans and bury the dead.

During the fifty years which have elapsed since the organization the lodge has paid

For the relief of the sick..... \$5 486 07
For burying the dead..... 1 539 63
For relief of widowed families..... 420 66
Odd Fellows' and Orphans' Home..... 290 00

Making a total of..... \$7 686 76

These figures will give you some idea of the actual use and benefit it is to mankind. The money is collected so quietly and disbursed so systematically that none outside of the lodge know that a great charity is continually scattering its benefit and help over the community."

—Gregg post of this place netted about \$75 from the all day restaurant on Washington's birthday. Not nearly as much as the excellence of the meals deserved.

—Ira From was hauled up before justice Keichline, on Wednesday, for taking a child from a Mrs. Parks. He proved that he had adopted it several years ago and was discharged.

A Good Man Gone to Rest.

The subject of this tribute of respect, Adam Witherite, died at his home in Boggs township, on Wallace Run, at 10 a. m., on Tuesday Feb. 18th, 1896, after a lingering illness of a few months. He suffered from throat affection which caused a general decline of health. He was seventy years, four months and twenty-four days of age and was born on the farm on which he died. The funeral occurred on Thursday morning, the 20th, at 10 o'clock a. m. Although it was one of the coldest days of the season, there was a large concourse of friends, neighbors, and acquaintances, that assembled themselves together, out of the high regard and love they had for the deceased. The services at the house were short and impressive, conducted by Rev. J. F. Kelly and Rev. John Zeigler, after these, the remains were taken to the Advent cemetery, and there interred. The following, acting as pall bearers: Morgan Lucas, James Lucas, Edward Poorman, Esch Hugg, J. Miles Greene and John F. Potter. At the church a most excellent sermon was preached by the Rev. John Zeigler, from Isaiah, 26th chap. 3, and 4 verses: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee, because he trusted in thee."

Trust ye in the Lord forever: for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength."

Mr. Witherite was a baptized member of the Lutheran church; but never became an active member of any church, although giving liberally of his means, to the cause of Christ. His life was that of an honest man, upright in all of his dealings, with love to his fellowmen, and malice to none. He was a wise and a safe counsellor among his neighbors, always entreating charity and forgiveness, advising rather to suffer loss, than gain without right. One of his neighbors, who was raised in the same neighborhood, told the writer that when boys together, that if any of the boys of the neighborhood were out after night at gatherings, and any one proposed to have some fun that was not right Adam would appeal to their better sense every time, and his manly advice was always taken, even when a boy. To this same old friend, but a few days before his departure, he told that he was ready to go, that his hope was fixed and certain, and that he should stand firm to his faith, (his friend being a member) He had given full assurance to Rev. Zeigler, who had frequently called upon him during his last sickness, that he was ready and willing to meet his Savior. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." He leaves to mourn his loss, on son, Henry, intermarried to a Miss Hugg, who resides upon the old homestead or farm and one daughter, Alice, intermarried to Joseph Rogers, a railroad operator and agent, residing at Osceola. Politically, he adhered to the principles of the Democratic party all of his life. He was moderate, intelligent, and prudent in his views, never obtruding his opinions upon others. Many sought his counsel. Truly, his friends and neighbors will greatly miss him.

AMICUS.

Port Matilda Pointers

Here this is in print we will have had a wedding in town. It will be noted next week.

The I. O. O. F. has caught the fever and will have an oyster supper in the K. G. E. hall on the evening of March 5th.

We have been having all sorts of weather since Mr. Ground Hog went back into his hole, as a consequence nearly everyone you meet is complaining of a bad cold in the head. The oyster supper held in the K. G. E. hall, last Saturday evening, was greatly enjoyed by the Eagles and their ladies. W. G. Morrison, of Bellefonte, was one of the party, though he didn't have a lady he enjoyed himself all the same.

Mr. William Vaughn, one of our industrious young men, met with quite a serious accident last Friday. While working on a log landing a large log rolled on his left hand smashing several of the bones and necessitating his laying off for some time.

Mr. Geo. R. Price had a very narrow escape from what might have resulted in a permanent injury last Tuesday. He had some men employed in taking out paper wood and got too close to one of them who was wielding an ax. The sharp blade of the ax struck him just below the knee, cutting an ugly gash there.

The light fingered gentry have begun their nightly operations again, in this end of the county. Mr. Gilbert Eller, of this place, who had a lot of men employed making rail-road ties, in Taylor township, was quite surprised to find his lamp looted when he and his men returned to it Monday, after having spent Sunday at their homes. Tools, provisions and bed clothing were taken. Nothing was left but the dismantled camp. Mr. Eller had to return and lay in new supplies before they could proceed to work. He will pay a good reward for information leading to the conviction of the guilty parties.

Pine Grove Mention.

Mrs. Harris Bloom is a very sick woman, with heart trouble.

Mrs. A. J. Tate, with little Samuel and Paul, are being royally entertained this week down among Harris township friends.

Mr. Frank Bowersox, treasurer candidate from Ferguson township, is this week lying up his supporters down in Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Eliza Port is again able to be about after being housed several weeks with grip. Not unlike every other victim she says she hopes never to have it again.

A good representation of 376 I. O. O. F. members from this place will be in attendance at the Boalsburg I. O. O. F. oyster festival next Friday and Saturday evenings.

Dr. J. E. Ward, of Bellefonte, was in attendance at his aunt Nancy Gill's burial on Tuesday. Between trains he took time to view the ruins of the old burnt school house and the play grounds where he used to stomp his toes and make wry faces over hard lessons.

Rev. Mr. Hepler, of Lemont, is very ably filling the Presbyterian pulpit in this place every evening this week. Communion services next Sunday a. m. Beside being a good pulpit orator the young divine is a most pleasant and genial gentleman who makes friends with all he meets.